

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE B. BURKE

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Title VI of the Federal Civil Rights Acts states that any entities that receive federal monies must provide meaningful access to services regardless of race, ethnicity, or nationality, including language services.

In accordance, Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky introduced a motion in June 2002 that was unanimously passed by the board to instruct Department of Health Services (DHS) to finalize and integrate the Cultural & Linguistic Competency Standard with the department's redesign system. Furthermore, in April 2006 the Board of Supervisors approved the new classification of "Health Care Interpreter."

As of current, these positions that exist to service Limited English Proficient (LEP) patients countywide are ordinance only, and are not being filled by DHS.

**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** instruct the CAO and DHS to identify a potential funding source for the funding of existent Health Care Interpreter positions at a level that will adequately serve the needs of the county's LEP population and present a recommendation on an appropriate funding level and program implementation in time for consideration of any FY 2007-2008 supplemental budget changes in September.

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YBB:GP:nra (LEP Services Motion)

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